

#### **R12-4-415. Game Bird Field Trial License**

- A. A game bird field trial license allows an individual to release and take released live pen-reared game birds specified on the license for the purpose of conducting a competition to test the performance of hunting dogs in one field trial event. It also allows the import or purchase within the state, possession, and transport of the game birds specified on the license for one field trial event. Game birds may be possessed alive by the license holder after the field trial event until December 31 of the year the license was issued. Game birds possessed alive subsequent to the field trial event may be transported and may be given away, exported, or killed.
- B. An individual shall apply for a game bird field trial license on a form provided by the Department. An applicant shall submit the following on the application:
1. Name, address, telephone number, birthdate, physical description, and if applicable, Department ID number;
  2. If the applicant will use the wildlife for a commercial purpose, the name, address, and telephone number of the applicant's business. If the applicant will use the wildlife for an activity sponsored by an organization, the name of the organization, and the name, address, and telephone number of the organization chair or local chapter;
  3. The wildlife species and the number of animals per species that will be used under the license. If the application is for use of multiple species, the applicant shall list each species and the number of animals per species. The Department shall only issue a license for the following game bird species:
    - a. Chukar, *Alectoris chukar*;
    - b. Mallard duck, *Anas platyrhynchos*;
    - c. Northern bobwhite, *Colinus virginianus*, except that no license shall be issued for this species in game management units 34A, 36A, 36B, and 36C, as prescribed in R12-4-108; and
    - d. Ringneck and whitewing pheasant, *Phasianus colchicus*;
  4. The name, address, and telephone number of the location where the wildlife will be held, if applicable. Otherwise, the applicant shall provide the physical description of the location, including township, range, and section;
  5. A description of how the license holder will comply with R12-4-428, and any other captivity standards that may be prescribed by this Section;
  6. The beginning date of the event. A game bird field trial event shall not last longer than 10 consecutive days;
  7. The name, address, and telephone number of the location where the wildlife will be released, if applicable. Otherwise, the physical description of the location, including township, range, and section. If the applicant is applying to release wildlife at multiple locations, the applicant shall provide the name, address, and telephone number of each location or the physical description of the location, including township, range, and section;
  8. The name, address, and telephone number of all wildlife suppliers from whom the special license applicant will obtain wildlife;
  9. The applicant's signature and the date of signing. By signing the application, the applicant attests that the information provided is true and correct to the applicant's

knowledge and that the applicant's live wildlife privileges are not revoked in this state, any other state, or by the United States.

- C. The Department shall issue a game bird field trial license in compliance with R12-4-106. If the Department denies the application for a special license, the Department shall proceed as prescribed by R12-4-409(D). The Department shall not issue a game bird field trial license if:
  - 1. Escape of any species listed on the application or operation of a game bird shooting preserve will create a threat to native wildlife or public health or safety;
  - 2. There is already an established wild population of upland game birds at the site where the field trial event is planned to take place, and the wild population is the same species as the wildlife listed on the license;
  - 3. The release of game birds interferes with wildlife or habitat restoration programs; or
  - 4. The release of game birds takes place during nesting periods of upland game birds or waterfowl that nest in the area.
- D. Each shipment of game birds imported shall be accompanied by a certificate of health from a licensed veterinarian for the shipment.
- E. A game bird field trial license holder shall only hold a field trial event at the location specified on the license, and shall only release or take the species of game birds specified on the permit.
- F. Any released game birds not taken or recovered during the dates specified on the license become property of the state, and shall not be taken under a game bird field trial license.
- G. A hunting license is not required to participate in a field trial event held under the provisions of this Section. The license holder or a representative for the license holder shall have the field trial license in possession during the event specified on the license. Released wildlife may be taken by any method not prohibited in R12-4-303.
- H. The license holder shall ensure that wildlife being transported from a field trial event have a tag or label affixed to each container of live birds, carcass, or package that lists the following:
  - 1. The name of the license holder,
  - 2. The date of shipment or transport,
  - 3. The number of animals per species of wildlife, and
  - 4. The name of the individual or common carrier transporting them and the name and address of the individual who will receive the shipment.
- I. A game bird field trial license holder shall submit a report to the Department within 30 days following the event that specifies the species and number of birds per species released and retaken. The license holder shall maintain a list of names and addresses of participants for inspection by the Department.
- J. A field trial license holder is subject to the provisions of R12-4-409 and R12-4-428.